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CAPITAL INVESTMENT BY ONGC
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether ONGC has made additional capital investment to increase domestic production of crude oil in the country;

(b) if so, the amount invested during each of the last three years;

(c) whether domestic production of crude oil has increased during the above years as result of additional capital investment; and

(d) if so, details thereof and the rate of increase in production achieved during the said period?

Answer

MINISTER OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS AND PANCHAYATI RAJ (SHRI MANI SHANKAR AIYAR)

(a) & (b) : The total capital investment made by Oil and Natural Gas Corporation Limited (ONGC) during the last three years to increase domestic production of oil and gas is given below :

Year	Total Capital Investment (Rs. Crore)
2002-03	4887.06
2003-04	6166.67
2004-05	9594.20

(c) & (d) : Additional capital investment made for various schemes for augmenting oil/gas production is generally a long-term measure envisaging future field development and the effect is spread over years. Hence there may not be a direct link between the capital investment made and crude oil production in a particular year. Also, while new areas are brought into production, there may be decline in production from mature fields as a natural process.

The details of oil production by ONGC during 2001-02, 2002-03, 2003-04 and 2004-05 and the percentage increase over the previous year are given below :

Year	Crude Oil Production # (MMT)	Percentage increase
2001-02	24.708	-
2002-03	26.005	5.2%
2003-04	26.057	0.2%
2004-05	26.484	1.6%

= Including condensate and excluding contributions from fields being operated by Joint Ventures.